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From: Melvin, Karen
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Subject: FW: WV -- Senator Rockefeller Letter
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Kathy, have you seen this? Is this something for us or for ORD?

From: Rose, Kenneth
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2014 11:33 AM
To: Melvin, Karen
Subject: WV -- Senator Rockefeller Letter

Karen,

Here is the letter sent to Administrator McCarthy and the Director of CDC. The penultimate paragraph on page 2 is where Senator Rockefeller makes his request for a response/action by EPA and CDC.

I request that the CDC and EPA work together to study long-term health effects associated with a MCHM spill of this magnitude. Such a study will not only inform West Virginia but also inform any future incidents involving this compound. This request of two separate agencies with the goal that no stone will go unturned and jurisdictional confusion will leave any key question unanswered. Please provide an explanation of how this study will be done, including which agency will lead the inquiry and how the two agencies will coordinate their efforts.

Who from HSCD should/will be working with ATSDR on such a response and the specifics of the response? Lora Werner tells me that Bob Helverson from her shop will be coordinating for ATSDR and so our lead person can work with him. Bob will be working with ATSDR's headquarters on their portion of the response. I do know that Fran Burns has this letter and is interested in knowing how we are to handle and coordinate with ATSDR.

I am happy to meet again later today to discuss; please let me know if you want to do so.

Thanks,

Ken

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